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In re Application of Frank et al. Application No. 09/963,861 Filed: September 26, 2001 Attorney Docket No. 1376.0100580

ON PETITION

This decision concerns the February 6, 2004 petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b).

The petition is **GRANTED.**

The application became abandoned on August 7, 2003 for failure to timely submit a proper reply to the May 6, 2003 non-final Office Action.

The instant petition encloses an amendment as reply to the May 6, 2003 non-final Office Action; an authorization for the USPTO to charge the \$1,330 petition fee to Deposit Account No. 50-2469; and a statement that the entire delay in filing a proper reply from the due date until the filing of a grantable §1.137(b) petition was unintentional. The petition is thus granted.

The application file is being returned to Technology Center 2100 for further examination.

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